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SUBJ: AMIR OF QATAR ON MID EAST SETTLEMENT

1. DURING AUG 4 CONVERSATION, AMIR OF QATAR, SHAYKH KHALIFA BIN HAMAD AL THANI, GAVE ME HIS VIEWS ON CURRENT STATE OF PLAY IN MID EAST SETTLEMENT PROCESS. KHALIFA TOOK FAMILIAR LINE THAT US MUST ACCELERATE ITS EFFORTS BY PUTTING HAMMER ON ISRAELIS. IN THIS CONTEXT, HE EXPRESSED CONCERN THAT ALTHOUGH HE CREDITED EFFORTS AND INTENTIONS OF PRESIDENT AND SECRETARY, FOREIGN POLICY DISPUTES BETWEEN THE ADMINISTRATION AND CONGRESS HAD CREATED IMPRESSION OF US "WEAKNESS."

2. ON CURRENT PROPOSALS FOR EGYPTIAN-ISRAELI DISENGAGEMENT,
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AMIR SAID HE WAS OUT-OF-DATE SINCE LAST BRIEFING HE HAD HAD

ON SUBJECT BY ASHRAF MARWAN HAD TAKEN PLACE IN PARIS IN MID-JULY. AT THAT TIME, ACCORDING KHALIFA, EGYPTIANS WERE DIS-SATISFIED BOTH WITH ISRAELI PROPOSALS AND US EFFORTS, ALTHOUGH THEY WERE DETERMINED TO STICK WITH U.S. AS ONLY VIABLE MEDIATOR.

3. AMIR REMARKED THAT HE HAD FOUND THAT IRAQIS WERE MAINTAINING THEIR HARD LINE ON MID EAST SETTLEMENT DURING HIS JULY 9-11 VISIT TO BAGHDAD. HE REMARKED THAT THE IRAQIS' BRAVERY, LIKE THAT OF LIBYANS, WAS DIRECTLY PROPORTIONATE TO THEIR DISTANCE FROM BATTLEFRONT. ACCORDING KHALIFA, HE COUNSELED IRAQIS TO ADOPT QATARI POLICY VIS-A-VIS A MID EAST SETTLEMENT, I.E. TO SUPPORT THE POLICIES OF THE CONFRONTATION STATES, EGYPT, SYRIA, JORDAN AND PLO, AND TO LET THEM CALL THE SHOTS WITHOUT KIBITZING FROM OUTSIDERS.
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